

Home Activities



Dear Parent / Guardian,

Our sound this week in class is 'ng' and we have been spelling words that start with the 'ng' sound or have the 'ng' sound in them e.g. strong, string,



ng

Imagine you are a weightlifter, and pretend to lift a heavy weight above your head, saying *ng*...

If you would like to hear the sound please click on the link below where you can hear all the Jolly Phonic sounds:

<http://jollylearning.co.uk/2010/10/29/hear-the-letter-sounds/>

Click on to the British English area and select the sound group.

In order to reinforce this letter sound the class poem this week is



Bang and Clang!



I love to make lots of noise,
And bang and clang and sing!
I love to make lots of sounds,
That zing and ping and ring!
I love to make lots of noise,
It makes me feel so glad.



But those **BANGS** and **CLANGS**,
And **ZINGS** and **TINGS**,
Wow! They make Mum mad!

Our tricky words this week which we are learning to spell from memory are 'he' and 'she', so if your child can't remember how to spell these words independently please practise with them each day, and also revise the previous tricky words 'I' 'the' 'me' and 'we'.

We have just started learning about money. The children are very good at recognising coins. Now they need to practise counting amounts. Choose some items of food from the kitchen that cost less than £1 and tell the children how much they cost. Which coins can you use to pay for the items?

For example, a box of cornflakes is 10p can you find the correct coin?

Or a tin of beans 61p = 50p + 10p + 1p

or

20p + 20p + 20p + 1p

Or

60 x 1p

Just choose 1 answer for each and let your child lead you as to which coins they feel happy using.

We have been learning about celebrations this term and it was lovely to see all the parents who attended our school wedding. As part of our theme we have talked about presents and toys. Can you complete a mini project with your child on how toys have changed? Some questions to think about:

- What did you have for Christmas last year?
- What did your parents have for Christmas when they were children?
- What did your grandparents have for Christmas when they were children?

You could look in books or on the internet to find out how children celebrated Christmas 100 years ago- both rich and poor. What kind of gifts did they have?

I remember my daddy telling me that he had oranges for Christmas. I always thought he was teasing me! (Mrs Sydenham)

I remember my mum saying that she used to have 2p left in one of her daddy's smelly old socks that she used as a stocking! Urgh! (Mrs Skinner)

My Dad said he had a lump of coal and an apple. (Mrs Partington)

I remember my parents used to have a lump of coal and a tangerine! (Miss Hudson)

Since this research will take some time and you may want to interview friends the homework does not have to be returned to school until November 8th. We are looking forward to sharing these with the children. Education City has been updated for this period. Also don't forget we have launched bugs club and you will receive your username and password shortly. Enjoy the holidays and thanks for your continued support.

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Diolch yn fawr,

Year 1 teachers

